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Serial No.: 09/883,089 Examiner: Ruth S. Smith
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Title: Systems for Applying Ultrasound Energy to the Thoracic Cavity

AMENDMENT D
SUBMITTED WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This Amendment D responds to the office action mailed June 9, 2006, which was designated as being final.

An automatic three month extension to respond, up to and including December 9, 2006, is respectfully requested. The requisite fee accompanies this Amendment.

The Examiner's attention is directed to the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement that also accompanies this Amendment.

Please amend the above referenced application as follows: